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An Act To Remove Clergy as Signatories on Marriage Licenses. Presented by Representative MARLEY of Portland. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearing 03/13/07. Final Disposition: Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310 03/21/07.

Original Bill

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Analyst's Summary of Bill

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

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Floor Proceedings and Debate

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[SENATE, March 21, 2007 \(S322-338\)](#)

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News Articles

Bill would strip clergy of legal role in marriage (Wallack, Victoria) (Times Record (Brunswick), 2/22/2007) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 123/LD07xx/nc123-lD-0779/SB1231144.pdf)

Critics rally against marriage bill (Kim, Ann S.) (Portland Press Herald, 3/9/2007) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 123/LD07xx/nc123-lD-0779/SB1231209.pdf)

Barring clergy from offering legal wedlock needless and unfair (Portland Press Herald, 3/12/2007) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 123/LD07xx/nc123-lD-0779/SB1231221.pdf)

Marriage law makes clergy agents of the state (Marley, Boyd) (Portland Press Herald, 3/13/2007) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 123/LD07xx/nc123-lid-0779/SB1231230.pdf)

Bill to take clergy out of marriage fails to win legislative panel's OK (Harrison, Judy) (Bangor Daily News, 3/14/2007) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 123/LD07xx/nc123-lid-0779/SB1231237.pdf)

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